



IOWA COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS: BOS COORDINATED ENTRY PROCESS

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Discussion Points

- CEP Defined
- Myth Busting
- Timeline



CoC Numbers

		People		Sq. Miles	
State of Iowa	CoC#	3090416	%	56276	%
Polk Co/DM	IA-502	430640	14%	570	1%
Woodbury	IA-500	102172	3%	873	2%
Pottawattamie	NE-501	93158	3%	954	2%
Balance of State	IA-501	2464446	80%	53879	96%

The map displays the following counties from north to south, west to east:

- North Row:** Lyon, Osceola, Dickinson, Emmet, Winnebago, Worth, Mitchell, Howard, Winneshiek, Allamakee
- Second Row:** Sioux, O'Brien, Clay, Palo Alto, Kossuth, Hancock, Cerro Gordo, Floyd, Chickasaw, Fayette, Clayton
- Third Row:** Plymouth, Cherokee, Buena Vista, Pocahontas, Humboldt, Wright, Franklin, Butler, Bremer, Clayton
- Fourth Row:** Woodbury, Ida, Sac, Calhoun, Webster, Hamilton, Hardin, Grundy, Black Hawk, Buchanan, Delaware, Dubuque
- Fifth Row:** Monona, Crawford, Carroll, Greene, Boone, Story, Marshall, Tama, Benton, Linn, Jones, Jackson
- Sixth Row:** Harrison, Shelby, Audubon, Guthrie, Dallas, Polk, Jasper, Poweshiek, Iowa, Johnson, Cedar, Clinton
- Seventh Row:** Pettawattamie, Cass, Adair, Madison, Warren, Marion, Mahaska, Keokuk, Washington, Muscatine, Scott
- Eighth Row:** Mills, Montgomery, Adams, Union, Clarke, Lucas, Monroe, Wapello, Jefferson, Henry, Louisa
- Ninth Row:** Fremont, Page, Taylor, Ringgold, Decatur, Wayne, Appanoose, Davis, Van Buren, Des Moines, Lee

BoS CoC Housing Service Providers

- 15 CoC grantees (8 RRH, 7 TH & 10 PSH)
- 28 ESG grantees (8 Prevention, 1 Outreach, 23 Shelter & 18 RRH)
- 16 SAF grantees
- 4 SSVF grantees (4 RRH projects)

Why coordinated entry?

- Required since the 7/31/2012 CoC Interim Rule
- HUD Systems-level outcomes require systems-level performance and planning [onlined Aug 2016]
- Housing First Intervention Strategy
- Client-centered approach.
- Facilitates collaboration between Providers to improve system & service quality.

CoC Interim rule Requirement

- such assessment systems help communities systematically assess the needs of program participants and effectively match each individual or family with the most appropriate resources available to address that individual or family's particular needs.
- = client-centered solutions!
- **The Federal Reg./Vol. 77:147, p 45427-28 (7/31/12)**

Coordinate Entry Principles

- ***Reorient service provision***, creating a more client-focused environment
- ***Identify which strategies are best for each household*** based on knowledge of and access to a full array of available services
- ***Link households to the most appropriate intervention*** that will assist the household to resolve their housing crisis
- ***= Prioritization [or By Name] Lists***

How will it work?

- Utilize Council approved elements:
 - Closed with Exception HMIS
 - CoC-wide Prioritization List (PL)
 - Common Assessment Tool (VI-SPDAT)
 - Existing CoC grantees [ESG, SAF & SSVF]
 - Standardized Intake Training
- Coordination with DV service providers.
- Hybrid Intake System:
 - 24/7 Virtual Site (800#) staffed by housing specialist.
 - “Regional” physical sites
- Advisory Committee

Myth-busting

- My client will be forced to move from Rock Rapids to Davenport!
- My agency will be forced to take someone that does not meet our local funding mandate.
- No, CEP is person-centered (not program), meaning the client has the final decision to accept a potential housing opportunity [that meets his/her need]
- No, during weekly PL conference calls, providers will select members on the PL based upon program fit for presenting need.

Myth-busting II

- My agency will need to start using the VI-SPDAT.
- Victims of DV will be left out of the system.
- Yes, the Council approved common assessment tool will transition from voluntary to mandatory in 2017.
- No, DV providers will submit PL data elements for inclusion to the list prior to weekly list review. DV clients make decision to accept housing option.

Myth-busting III

- Someone in Des Moines or Cedar Rapids will determine our service region.
- The Coordinated Entry Process will become an eternal CoC utility (like HMIS).
- No, a successful statewide housing service network requires local involvement and ownership. We will be looking for Local Homeless Champions to identify partners & advocate for solutions to homelessness.
- No, it is our goal to engage local partners across the CoC willing to co-fund CEP, reducing the use of CoC funds for intake.

Timeline to launch



- Setup Phase:
 - Fall 2016/ Winter 2017
 - Establish Advisory Committee
 - Community Outreach
 - PL Pilot
 - Spring/Summer 2017
 - Finalize closed with Exception
 - Complete standard CEP training.
 - Community Outreach
- Launch Phase:
 - Finalize CoC funds*

Questions?

